

~~SECRET~~
INFORMATION REPORT

CD NO.

COUNTRY Germany (Russian Zone)
SUBJECT Morale and Discipline Among Soviet Occupational Personnel

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

DATE DISTR. 2 Feb 1949

NO. OF PAGES 1

PLACE ACQUIRED [REDACTED] 25X1A6a

NO. OF ENCLS.
(LISTED BELOW)

DATE OF INFO. 30 November 1948

25X1X6

SUPPLEMENT TO
REPORT NO.

1. On 30 November 1948 Maj. Gen. Russkikh, SVA Deputy for Political Affairs, conducted a lecture on the politico-morale status of SVA employees. Though satisfied with the over-all morale situation, he nevertheless expressed severe criticism of those individuals who have so far neglected to comply with the directive of the Minister of (Soviet) Armed Forces demanding strict and exemplary discipline among the Soviet occupational personnel in Germany. Gen. Russkikh quoted facts and figures illustrating the need of further improvement in the morale and discipline of Soviet personnel. He reported sixteen serious cases of low morale and lack of discipline (e.g., defections, suicides) in the month of September, twenty in October, and twenty-six in November.
2. Gen. Russkikh went on to say that the Central Committee of the Russian Communist Party (TsKVKP) created a commission, headed by TsKVKP (b) Secretary Kuznetsov, which has adopted very stern measures in approving prospective SMA officials and workers. In December 1948 this commission will send 500 newly selected employees to Germany. This group consists mostly of former secretaries of rayon party committees and of reliable economic workers. The most trustworthy and energetic of these are scheduled for assignment with the SMA Information Directorate (headed by Col. Tyul'yanov).

25X1A6a

[REDACTED] Evidently the rosy picture of morale and discipline of Soviet occupational personnel by Marshal Sokolovski in his commendation for good work done by the Political Directorate, as presented in a recent report, was rosy only in comparison with the 1945-1947 standard of Soviet discipline and morale.)

This document is hereby regraded to ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ in accordance with the letter of 16 October 1978 from the Director of Central Intelligence to the Archivist of the United States.
Next Review Date: 2008

Document No. 005
NO CHANGE in Class. ☐
☒ DECLASSIFIED
Class. CHANGED TO TS S C
Auth: DDA 1000, 4 10 77
Date: 15 MAY 1978 By: 02

CLASSIFICATION				DISTRIBUTION			
STATE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ARMY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	AIR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FBI	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~
~~SECRET~~